

# Mike Callas

# SPORTS

## "SELL THE STARS BUT DON'T TRADE THE MOON"

He's really not a home run hitter. Most of his socks go on the line to lift, center, and right. A spray batter. In slightly more than two years, however, he has learned to flick the wrists and push the ball over the left field screen at the Coliseum. In all the trades involving the Dodgers none has been more astute than the one which saw Wally Moon come to Los Angeles.



With his assistance the old Brooks won the pennant and World Series in 1959. He had another good year in '60 but the rest of the team was going nowhere. Two weeks into June of the '61 season and all in the know are predicting that if Moon keeps up his present pace the Dodgers will finish first as early as mid-September.

Wally is a serious, scientific soul. He never stops practicing his art. During batting chores bystanders have but to look at his eyes and realize that Moon never takes his

peepers off the ball. Awaiting his turn at the plate in the on deck circle he continually stares at the hurler on the mound while busily swinging the heavy and regular bats. By the time he steps up to the plate he knows the pitcher he is facing especially if the preceding batter has worked the hurler to a 3-2 count.

### SCREEN IN BACK YARD

According to Dick Walsh, Dodger vice-president now in charge of getting the new stadium in shape, the Los Angeles nine will play its first '62 home game at Chavez Ravine. Some observers believe that this move will put the quietus on the man Bavasi received for Gino Cimoli more than two years ago. Not so says the well-mannered off-season school teacher. "Sure I like the screen here at the Coliseum but half our games are played away from home and my average doesn't change much."

When asked if it was difficult to adopt himself to away parks once he's been in the Coliseum for a long stay Wally admitted that it wasn't easy but added: "it's only for a day or two at the most. I just look for different pitches and don't try to pull the ball as much."

Bavasi and Alston have promised the screen to Wally for his back yard once it's torn down after the '61 campaign. "Now wait a minute fellows," Moon laughed; "my taxes will go up."

### NO ILLUSIONS

The likeable outfielder has no illusions that his average will stay over the .350 mark. He's a better than .300 hitter but maintaining his present pace is asking too much. Last year he finished just over the magic number. Allowing for an almost sure slump or two, he hasn't had one yet this year. Wally should better his '60 mark by at least ten points.

While watching the Moon taking practice swings one day Stan "The Man" Musial turned to Alston and quipped: "Sell the Stars but don't trade the Moon."

Perish the thought dear Cardinal Moneybags!

## Launch Sportsman's Park Improvement Programming

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn announced this week that under terms of a contract awarded to the Crehan Construction Company, work on a number of general improvements at Southwest Sportsman's Park will be starting within 30 days.

Project includes construction of new shelters with storage cabinets in the senior citizens area of the park, and general site development including new walls and walks, ramps, paving, a new park sign, drinking fountains, parking lighting and landscaping. "All improvements to be made have been planned to enhance the park's usefulness for the benefit of the public and to make it possible for an improved and expanded recreational program to be provided," Supervisor Hahn stated.

Sportsman's park is a regional county park, located in the geographical heart of Supervisor Hahn's district at Century boulevard and Western avenue. During the past few years it has been developed and improved to serve

the needs of the people of a large area including South Los Angeles, Inglewood, Lennox, Hawthorne, Lawndale, Gardena, Torrance, and adjoining communities.

## Frieze First in Little 'Indy' Quarter Midgets

Lucky winner of the main event at Little Indy quarter midget track, 190th and Normandie, was Jim Griez, with Ronnie Morr, second and Paul Needle, third. Frieze also set fast time of the day at 8:41.

Trophy dash was taken by Paul Needle. Semi-main trophies went to Jimmy Ogletree, Gary Cordova, and Eddie Estey. Jr.-main was awarded to David Estey, and Richard Westlake. Jr.-semi-main winners were Rippy Curry, and Christine Suca. Consolation went to Carmen Lachat, and David Dawkins.

Heat winners were: Mike Atwood, Chuckie Pierson, Jim Ogletree, Roleen Brown, Patricia Brown, Carmen Lachat.

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# Tordondo League Senators 1st

## Cowden Boots In Six with Three Hits

The Senators snapped back to their winning ways last week by upending the Yankees 15 to 1 in Tordondo Little League play. Steve Sierra turned in a one hit pitching performance with Dick Cowden as "big man with the bat" driving in six runs with a grand slam home run and two singles.

Tigers stayed on the heels of the Senators by winning two games in three days, beating the Indians 6 to 2. Gene Cook and Ed Armstrong were the winning battery and Danny Murray and Tommy Lee the loser. After one day rest the Tigers came back and beat the Braves 5 to 1. Jack Cowan was the winning pitcher with Bruce MacEachern doing two innings of relief. Ed Armstrong, the Tiger heavy duty catcher, did the receiving. Billy Hoskinson, Tommy Glover and Jerry Kurik shared the pitching for the Braves with Tommy and Dick Harris the receiving.

### CLAWING DISTANCE

Last but not least, the Cubs stayed within clawing distance of the leaders by giving the Indians their second loss in three days by beating them 7 to 3. Mike White and Tom M. Fischer the winning combination and Joel Hons and Tommy Lee the losing battery. Bill Bergeron hit his third home run of the season and made it count for three runs.

Minor League Doings: The Cards nipped the Phils 7 to 6. The Pirates scuttled the Athletics 26 to 1. The Seals continued their winning ways beating the Angels 11 to 5 in spite of losing their star hitter Joe Sage to the majors. The Giants remained undefeated by taking the Padres 16 to 1. The Orioles took a tough one from the unluck Beavers 5 to 2. This game set a new record for quick playing by minors. It was over in one hour and twenty minutes.

## Speedy Ski Champ Will Appear At Marine Stadium

Butch Peterson of Los Angeles, who holds the world's water ski drag record of 106 mph, leads the country's fastest field of skiers in the third annual Regatta of Championships at Long Beach Marine Stadium Saturday and Sunday, June 24-25.

Water ski competition augments the unique boat racing event which Sunday will pit the west's fastest 32 inboards, drawn from a field of more than 250 boats.

Peterson, who set his record in the quartermile drag, tops the entry list in the men's 10-lap race around the one-mile course as well as in Entries also include Mike Wallace, Rick Fowler and Mike Dixon of Los Angeles, Jack Mobely of Gardena, Jerry Clark and Ed Camrud of Phoenix and Sam Borges of Vallejo.

Peterson is part of a championship entry in the 10-mile race. Teaming with him is Ed Olsen, last year's national ski boat champion



A definite date, Wednesday July 11, has been chosen for the premiere of the radio broadcast from Gable House.

### MEETING THIS WEEK

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Last week winners are E. Sturm, high series — 678 for \$30; G. Ward, second high series — 669 for \$15; and J. Profit, high game — 246 for \$10.

Next Monday morning at ten, Jerry Homel is a featuring a special Bowl-A-Round tournament for all ladies, with any sanctioned average. This way you can bowl with your gal friends and at the same time win money. Sign up anytime this week at the front desk with "Jolly" Jack Frybaum.

### GABLE CHATTER

School is out and so are the children. Don't worry about the older youngsters, mother, as Homel is organizing planned activities for them. Worries will be over, so those all important frames during league won't be interrupted.

Gable plans to have a Father's Day Special this Sunday, June 18. Dad can get his buffet dinner free when he is accompanied by the family. Also just like Mom received on her day, Dad, too, will get a free line of bowling. Come on over, Dad, and celebrate your day at Gable.

The G.H.B.A. had their first election of officers last Friday night and the results are as follows: Bob Alderman, president; Loran Gibson, vice president; Jackie Jones, secretary; Marilyn Handy, treasurer; Flo Schow, ways and means chairman; Bonnie Alderman and Emma Spates, hospitality chairman; Lee Stedman, membership chairman; and Ann Hutton, publicity.

The 50 and Over Bowling Club plans to celebrate its first anniversary this Saturday afternoon at one. Everyone 50 years and over is welcome to come over and participate in a bowling tournament. Ruth Caudle, president, will award many prizes for series that are rolled. Everyone (including the low bowlers) has a chance to win. Come over and get acquainted and watch or participate in the fun.

### HIGHWAY-USER TAXES

Last year highway — user taxes collected by the states and the federal government — of which fuel taxes are by far the largest item — totaled \$9.6 billion. Of this the states took in \$5.3 billion; the federal government \$4.3 billion.

from Garden Grove, who will drive his well known "Cream Puff."

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IN THE SWIM—Pert Beverly English is an early contender for the "Miss Skindiver" title to be awarded at the 1961 Pacific Coast Skindiving Show Aug. 4, 5, 6 at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium. The Southern California miss was the first to write to participate in the beauty contest, one of many events scheduled for the unique watersports show.

## Beauty Contest Aug. 4 to Name 'Miss Skindiver'

A welcome return to "the good old days" — a contest to select a winner on beauty alone — was announced today by officials of the 1961 Pacific Coast Skindiving Show to be held August 4, 5, 6, at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium.

Entrants will be required to be skindivers or even swimmers. Gene Grounds, co-producer of the unique underwater sports show, said, "Any pretty girl who likes to go to the beach is eligible to be named "Miss Skindiver" by the panel of motion picture and television stars who will be judging. The winner and runners-up will be chosen on the basis of beauty and personality alone."

### STARS APPEAL

Some of the stars who will assist in the selection will be Queen of the Show Zale Perry; Lloyd Bridges of "Sea Hunt"; Col. John D. Craig of "Kingdom of the Sea"; CBS Television Network personality Jack Linkletter; Jeremy Slate of "Malibu Run"; and Bill Burrud of "Wanderlust."

Grounds said the only requirement were that entrants be between 16 and 25 and have consent of parents or guardians in the case of minors. Contestants should send names, addresses, telephone numbers, together with their photograph

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